

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** by working to provide hope and positive vision, South Carolina Optimist Clubs have been "bringing out the best in kids" for the past 60 years; and

**WHEREAS,** Optimists promote an active interest in good government and civic affairs, inspire respect for the law, promote patriotism and work for international accord and friendship among all people; and

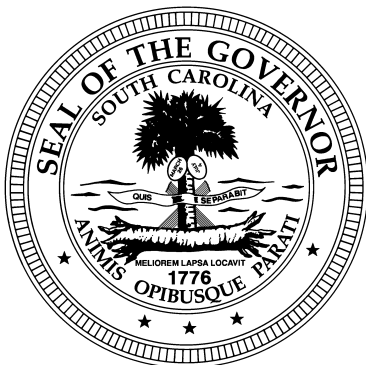
**WHEREAS,** the men and women that belong to Optimist Clubs are known for their upbeat attitudes and for believing in young people and empowering them to be the best they can; and

**WHEREAS,** Optimist Club members across the Palmetto State are committed to serving their communities and improving the lives of children in their hometowns.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 1, 2007, as

### OPTIMIST DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the many contributions made by Optimist Clubs throughout the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**